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HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION
PART 1 - EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

MARYLAND HISTORICAL
TRUST

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Project Number:

Instructions: Read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification will be made unless a completed application form has been received. Use typewriter or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, use continuation sheets or attach blank sheets.

1. Name of property: N.A. Charles Downes Store
Address of property: 104 East Main Street (proposed)
City: Stevensville County: Queen Anne's State: MD Zip Code: 21666
Name of historic district: Stevensville Historic District
☐ National Register district ☐ certified state or local district ☒ potential historic district

2. Check nature of request:
- ☐ certification that the building contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for the purpose of rehabilitation.
 - ☐ certification that the structure or building and, where appropriate, the land area on which such a structure or building is located contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes.
 - ☐ certification that the building does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
 - ☐ preliminary determination for individual listing in the National Register.
 - ☒ preliminary determination that a building located within a potential historic district contributes to the significance of the district.
 - ☐ preliminary determination that a building outside the period or area of significance contributes to the significance of the district.

3. Authorized project contact:
Name: Carol Dubie, Oldham & Seltz Title: Historian
Street: 21 Dupont Circle City: Washington
State: D.C. Zip: 20036 Telephone Number (during day): 202-822-9797

4. Owner:
Name: Eisinger Associates Limited Partnership
Street: 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 400 E City: Bethesda
State: MD Zip: 20814 Telephone Number (during day): 301-652-8800

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the above-named property.

Owner's Signature: [Signature] Date: August 14 1986
Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number: 52-120-4959

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The National Park Service has reviewed the "Historic Preservation Certification Application - Part 1" for the above-named property and hereby determines that the property:

- ☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
- ☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
- ☐ does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

Preliminary Determinations:

- ☐ appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer according to the procedures set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.
- ☐ does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely not be listed in the National Register.
- ☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a potential historic district, which will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer.
- ☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a registered historic district but is outside the period or area of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS.
- ☐ does not appear to qualify as a certified historic structure.

Date

National Park Service Authorized Signature

National Park Service Office

104 East Main Street

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CERTIFICATION APPLICATION—
PART 1

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Property Name

Stevensville, MD

Property Address

Eisinger Associates / 52-120-4959

Owner Name/Social Security or Taxpayer ID Number

Project Number:

5. Description of physical appearance:

See Continuation sheet

Date of Construction: c. 1870

Source of Date: National Register nomination

Date(s) of Alteration(s): various

Has building been moved? ☐ yes ☒ no. If so, when?

6. Statement of significance:

See Continuation sheet

7. Photographs and maps.

Attach photographs and maps to application.

See photographs D 1-7 (district)

1-4 (building exterior)

5,6 (streetscapes)

7-10 (representative interiors)

Continuation sheets attached: ☒ yes ☐ no

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Property Name: N.A.
Property Address: 104 E. Main Street, Stevensville, MD
Owner's Name/Taxpayer ID Number: Eisinger Associates/ 52-120-4959

Description:

The building is a two story frame residential/commercial building. The residential portion is a three bay I house with a rear wing. The main facade has a porch supported on square decorative posts. The gable fronted commercial wing has a symmetrical facade with a central entry flanked by shuttered window openings. The side and rear facades are of modest character and unornamented.

The building, which has been vacant since 1985, is in fair condition.

On the interior, the residential portion has a central stair with paired rooms on each floor and a single room on each floor in the wing at the rear. On the ground floor, the plan has been modified by the addition of a bathroom. The interiors are modestly detailed; the window and door trim is the only significant interior feature in this section. In the commercial wing, the ground floor is finished with a small scale panelling on the walls and ceiling. This material is in fair-good condition, with some damage at the rear where several holes have been cut. The second floor of the commercial wing, which appears to have been unfinished storage space originally, was renovated into an apartment or workroom in the mid-20th century. It has modern finishes, in damaged condition.

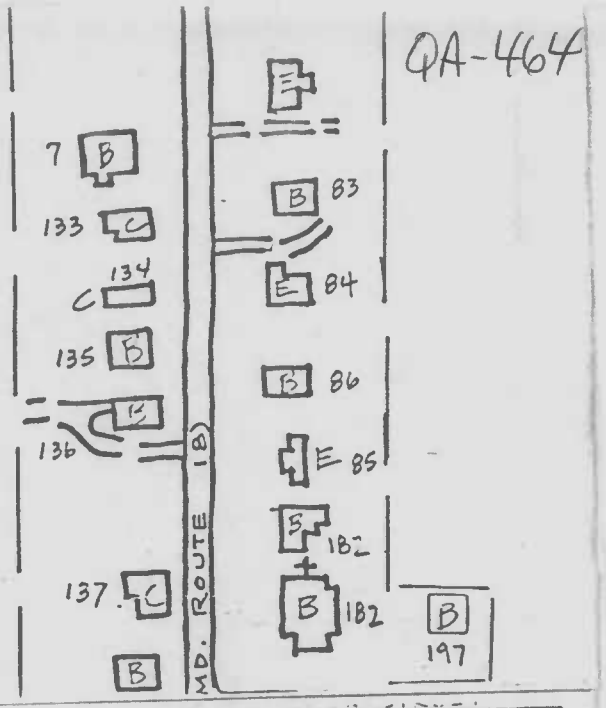
The structure is sited like other buildings in the central portion of the district, relatively close to the street and to the neighboring residence to the east. A small modern maintenance shed is the only other structure on the lot. To the west is a vacant lot on which an office building is to be constructed this year.

Significance

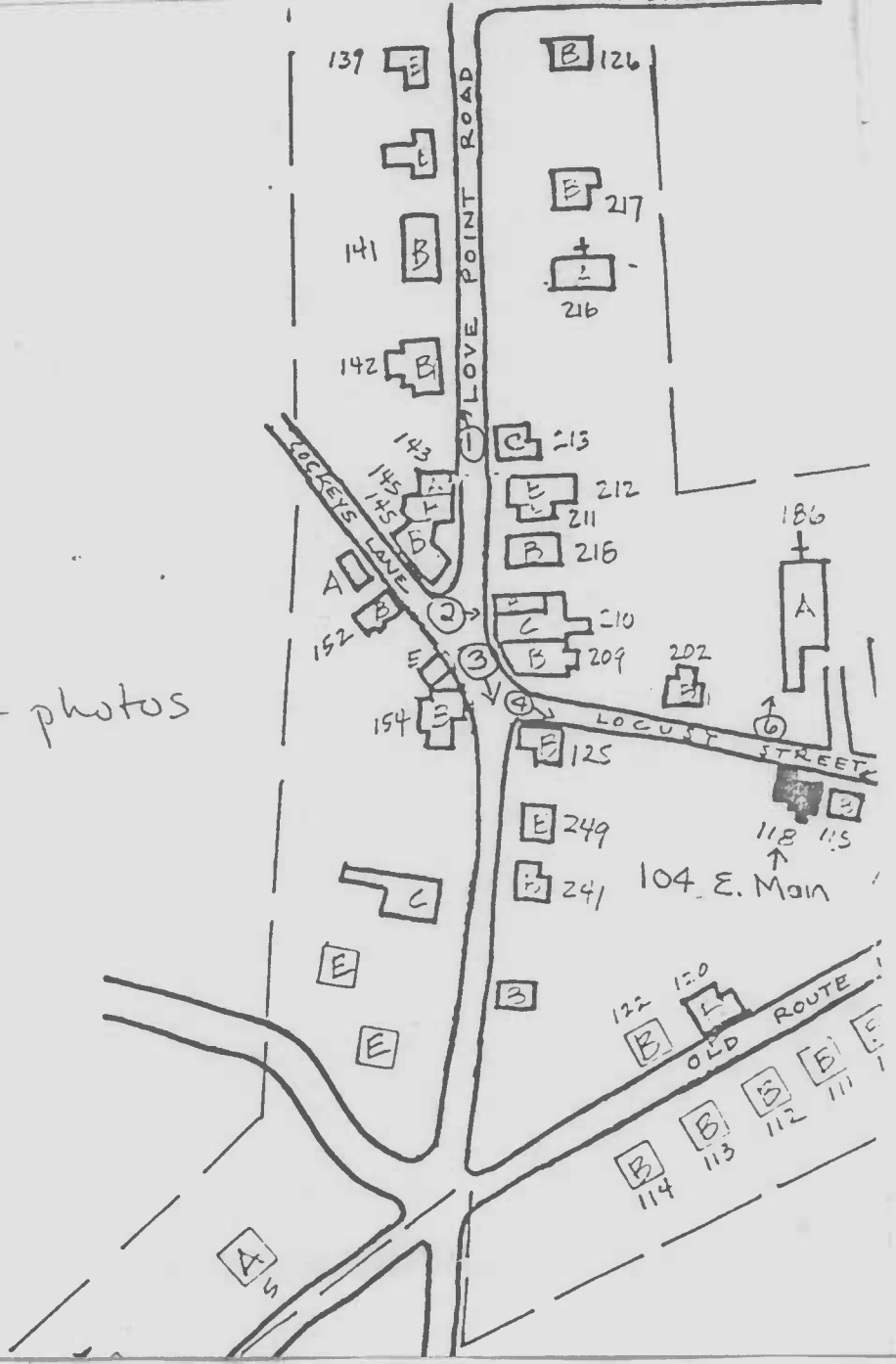
This frame residential/commercial structure contributes to the significance of the Stevensville Historic District in its location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, and associations. Like the majority of the buildings in the district, it is a modest frame building constructed between 1850 and 1920. Like other historic buildings at the town center, it combined residential and commercial uses, housing a country store, one of the important functions of the town as a Kent Island commercial center in the late 19th century. The building also reflects the modest architectural styling typical of contributing buildings in the district and of residential architecture on Kent Island at this period, including the residential porch treatment and the survival of the unmodified gable facade of the commercial wing, with its shuttered windows and central entry.

The building is listed as contributing in the National Register nomination, item 7, page 6, "P.118".

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District photos



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STEVENSVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT
Queen Anne's County, Maryland

Resource Sketch Map
July 1986

Resource coding system:

The contributive value of the resources within the district is indicated by a system of letter codes, as follows:

- A. A contributing resource with an exceptionally high level of integrity and historic and/or architectural significance to the nomination.
- B. A contributing resource with a high level of integrity and historic and/or architectural significance to the nomination.
- C. A contributing resource with a low level of integrity whose contribution could be enhanced by sympathetic rehabilitation or restoration or by research documenting historic significance unknown at the time of nomination.
- D. A resource that does not contribute to the significance of the nomination but may be eligible for listing in the National Register within another historical and/or cultural context.
- E. A resource that does not contribute to the significance of the nomination and is not eligible for listing in the National Register, due to recent construction or irretrievable loss of integrity.
- F. A contributing open-space of historic or scenic significance to the nomination such as a park, town square, agricultural fields, meadows, pastures, etc.
- G. A non-contributing open-space which is of no significance to the nomination and is not eligible for listing in the National Register, such as a parking lot, etc.